

**SOCIAL SECURITY REFORM**

*Committee on Finance:* Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy held hearings to examine the status and future of the Social Security system, focusing on the current and projected financial status of Social Security, trends in income and retirements savings, and personal security accounts, receiving testimony from Henry J. Aaron, Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C.; and Olivia S. Mitchell, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Howard Young, University of Michigan, Livonia, Edith U. Fierst, Fierst and Moss, and Sylvester J. Schieber, Watson

Wyatt Worldwide, both of Washington, D.C., and Edward M. Gramlich, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, all on behalf of the Advisory Council on Social Security.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

**NOMINATION**

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Robert E. Morin, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

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## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

**Bills Introduced:** 1 public bill, H.R. 3158, was introduced. **Page H2842**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2824, to authorize an exchange of lands in the State of Utah at Snowbasin Ski Area (H. Rept. 104-493);

Conference report on H.R. 2854, to modify the operation of certain agricultural programs (H. Rept. 104-494);

H.R. 3074, to amend the United States-Israel Free Trade Area Implementation Act of 1985 to provide the President with additional proclamation authority with respect to articles of the West Bank or Gaza Strip or a qualifying industrial zone (H. Rept. 104-495);

H. R. 3103, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to improve portability and continuity of health insurance coverage in the group and individual markets, to combat waste, fraud, and abuse in health insurance and health care delivery, to promote the use of medical savings accounts, to improve access to long-term care services and coverage, and to simplify the administration of health insurance, amended (H. Rept. 104-496, Part I);

H.R. 3070, to improve portability and continuity of health insurance coverage in the group and individual markets, to combat waste, fraud, and abuse in health insurance and health care delivery, and to simplify the administration of health insurance, amended (H. Rept. 104-497, Part I); and

H.R. 995, to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to provide new portability, participation, solvency, claims, and other

consumer protections and freedoms for workers in a mobile workforce; to increase purchasing power for employers and employees by removing barriers to the voluntary formation of multiple employer health plans and fully-insured multiple employer arrangements; to increase health plan competition providing more affordable choice of coverage by removing restrictive State laws relating to provider health networks, employer health coalitions, and insured plans and the offering of medisave plans; to expand access to fully-insured coverage for employees of small employers through fair rating standards and open markets, amended (H. Rept. 104-498, Part I).

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**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Upton to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2715**

**Presidential Message—National Emergency Re Angola:** Read a message from the President wherein he transmits his report concerning the national emergency with respect to Angola—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 104-189). **Page H2715**

**Recess:** House recessed at 2:07 p.m. and reconvened at 3:49 p.m. **Page H2716**

**Senate Messages:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H2715.

**Adjournment:** Met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

### *Committee Meetings*

No committee meetings were held.

## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D251)

H.J. Res. 165, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996. Signed March 22, 1996. (P.L. 104-118)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY,  
MARCH 26, 1996

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

## Senate

*Committee on Appropriations*, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for the Department of Agriculture, 2 p.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of the Interior, and Army programs, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

*Committee on Armed Services*, to hold hearings on atomic energy defense activities under the purview of the Acting Under Secretary, Department of Energy, 10 a.m., SR-222.

Subcommittee on Seapower, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the Department of the Navy's Marine Corps programs, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs*, to hold hearings on the nominations of Alan Greenspan, of New York, to be Chairman, Alice M. Rivlin, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member and Vice Chairman, and Laurence H. Meyer, of Missouri, to be a Member, all of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 11 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation*, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings on the proposed budget request for fiscal year 1997 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), and to examine recent developments in the Space Station program, 2 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Foreign Relations*, to hold hearings on the nominations of Ernest G. Green, of the District of Columbia, and Henry McKoy, of North Carolina, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the African Development Foundation, Lawrence Neal Benedict, of California,

to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cape Verde, Harold Walter Geisel, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mauritius and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Federal Islamic Republic of The Comoros, Aubrey Hooks, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Congo, Robert Krueger, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Botswana, and David H. Shinn, of Washington, to be Ambassador to Ethiopia, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, closed briefing on the verifiability of the Convention on Chemical Weapons (Treaty Doc. 103-21), 11 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs*, to hold oversight hearings on the Internal Revenue Service, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Labor and Human Resources*, Subcommittee on Children and Families, to hold hearings to examine the gap between Federal services and charitable services, focusing on how best to meet program needs, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

## NOTICE

For a listing of Senate meetings scheduled ahead, see pages E447-48 in today's Record.

## House

*Committee on Appropriations*, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services, 1 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, on Department of Energy and Environmental Management and Nuclear Waste Issues, 2 p.m., 2362B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, on Bureau of Indian Affairs, 1 p.m., and on Indian Health Service, 2:30 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation, on Research and Special Programs Administration, 12:30 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations*, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on Country Reports on Human Rights Practices for 1995, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands, oversight hearing on Forest Service's decision-making process, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.